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COUNTRY: Germany/~~Soviet Zone~~/Federal Republic/Poland

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1. The Burnberger Nachrichten is published by a Dr Joseph Draxel, [REDACTED] 25X1X6  
25X1X6 [REDACTED] to be a definite Communist sympathizer. However, since early 1952, [REDACTED] noticed a gradual change in the presentation of news in the Burnberger Nachrichten, indicating that Draxel is afraid to continue presenting completely pro Communist slanted news and is actually reporting some developments in Germany (Soviet Zone), on an unbiased basis.
2. In a February 1953 issue there was an intensely interesting article dated, "Gottingen", which reported that a group of scientists who had fled the Soviet Zone of Germany, had settled in Gottingen, and were obtaining information concerning conditions in former German territory now controlled by Poland.
3. It is logical that scientists would go to Gottingen, as it is a science research center, and during World War II was a headquarters for atomic energy studies.
4. The Gottingen refugee scientists have reported that diverse nationalities are being resettled in former German areas beyond the Oder River. They reported that four thousand former Greek Markos partisans had recently been settled in lower Silesia, in the Glatz-Lauban-Sorau area.
5. One hundred other former Greek partisans are reported in Elbing engaged in building small fishing boats. Elbing was the site of the very important Schichau shipyards where many naval and commercial vessels were built prior to World War II. It was located near Konigsberg, and I believe the area has been incorporated into the USSR.
6. Additional Markos partisans are reported to form a substantial part of the employees of the chemical works at Saarau, near Schweidnitz, in Silesia.
7. All of the partisans are reported under the jurisdiction of the Greek Democratic Aid Committee which has headquarters in Breslau.

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8. The Gottingen scientists also reported that there is a group of over 25 hundred Chinese, mainly sailors, located at Stettin and Danzig. These are reported to be reserve maritime crews in training. They are to be made available to the Polish Merchant Marine, and are to be used in the Poland-China service.
9. There is another considerable group of Chinese reported in a camp at Grabow, near Stettin. This group is reported to be under very strict discipline and is only permitted to leave the camp in groups accompanied by Polish police.
10. Smaller groups of Chinese are reported in Silesian factories and mines *and* are being trained as specialists.
11. Four hundred Chinese are reported working at the Breslau "Wagon Factory".
- 25X1X6 12. [REDACTED] the "wagon factory" was one of the most important manufacturers of German railroad cars. The plant was known as Linke-Hoffmann and it had at least five thousand employees. It produced mainly freight cars, of standard European gauge.
13. The Linke-Hoffmann plant was damaged somewhat by artillery during World War II but practically escaped serious damage from aerial bombardment. The plant is located on the Western outskirts of Breslau. [REDACTED] as of 1953 the plant has been restored and is working at full capacity. 25X1X6
14. The Gottingen group also reports that there are five hundred cominform Yugoslavs located in the vicinity of Breslau, at Waldenburg, a mining center in Silesia, and Schweidnitz.
15. Seventy of the Yugoslavs were reported to have been recently assigned to the Polish army.
16. There is also a small group of Spanish Communists reported settled near Danzig, and a number of North Koreans, and Viet Nam youths are reported near Guhrau.
17. Also reported is a group of one hundred negroes in Pomerania. These men were reported to be mainly from French Army units which have been in service in Indochina, and US units in Korea. This group of negroes is reported to be strictly isolated, but is assumed to be deserters.

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